



# TOWN OF KENNEBUNKPORT, MAINE

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## MAINE'S FINEST RESORT

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### RECYCLING UPDATE for Kennebunkport Residents, Businesses and Visitors

The Recycling Center of the Kennebunks, located on Sea Road in Kennebunk has been available for disposal of recycling and construction materials since our Town Dump was closed. Starting in July of 2015, the Town of Kennebunk contracted with a new company, Commercial Paving and Recycling Co., to operate the Recycling Center.

As of August 1, the Recycling Center will begin charging \$2 per trash bag (approximately 30 gallons) to process household recycling material. This includes, metal and glass containers, #1 through #7 plastic containers, paper and cardboard.



### Why is the Recycling Center charging a fee?

The reason for charging for recycling materials at the Recycling Center is because of the added cost to transport materials to a regional sorting facility when the towns are already paying for curbside pickup and transport to the sorting facility. There are site constrictions at the recycling center that impede processing of construction and demolition materials when curbside recycling materials are brought to the center, adding to the operating costs of the facility.

The Town of Kennebunkport provides curbside recycling collection every other week. We realize that for some households and businesses a single recycling bin is not enough for two weeks of recycling materials. We would encourage participants in our curbside recycling program to use additional bins as needed. Bins can be purchased at local hardware stores and retail centers. These bins should be marked with a waterproof pen (Sharpie or similar) as "Recycling" and left curbside with your town bin. Bins should be made of durable material, and their weight should be no more than 40 pounds with the recycling materials in it.

If you do not have a town recycling bin, you can pick one up for free at Kennebunkport Town Hall. If you already have a town recycling bin and need a second one for curbside recycling that is free also. If you need more than two bins, additional bins can be purchased at Kennebunkport Town Hall for \$6 each.

If you have questions about the changes in recycling collection at the Recycling Center of the Kennebunks please call the Public Works Department at 967-5728.